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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action ("Office Action") dated July 26, 2006, Applicant concurrently submits with the Request for Continued Examination this response as a submission and respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks. A Petition for One-Month Extension of Time is enclosed. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 500282.